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special characters not used in the English alphabet, corresponding to the input alphabet letter, wherein a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters. Apparatus claims 23, 29, 35, and 37 recite similar features. Kraft does not disclose or suggest such features, or the respective claimed combinations of independent claims 1, 23, 29, and 37.

Rather, Kraft discloses a display 3 (see Figs. 1-2 of Kraft) which comprises a first display part 20 for displaying a string of entered information and a second display part 22 for displaying a string of a plurality of possible information candidates (see Fig. 3 of Kraft), one of the candidates being highlighted by a cursor 23 controlled by navigation or roller key 10. That is, as shown in Figure 3, the second display part 22 displays a plurality of possible information candidates including letters, characters, or symbols. A cursor 23 controlled by roller key 10 is moved through the information candidates to a desired information candidate. Then, the roller key 10 acts as a selection means. The selected information candidate or character highlighted by the cursor 23 is added to the first display part 20. As shown in Figure 3, letters selected in the second display part 22 are selected one by one for display in the first display part 20. Thus, Kraft does not disclose or suggest inputting an alphabet letter in editing mode via a keypad and then displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters corresponding to the input alphabet letter, including special characters not used in the English alphabet, corresponding to the input alphabet letter, as recited in independent claim 1. Further, Kraft does not disclose or suggest a series of numbers are associated respectively with each of the European alphabet letters. Kraft also does not disclose or suggest the similar features of independent claims 23, 29, 35, and 37.

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Accordingly, the rejection of independent claims 1, 23, 29, 35, and 37 over Kraft should be withdrawn. Dependent claims 2-9, 24, 30, 36, and 38 are allowable over Kraft at least for the reasons discussed above with respect to independent claims 1, 23, 29, 35, and 37, from which they respectively depend, as well as for their added features.

Independent claim 10 recites a method of selecting special characters in mobile communication terminal comprising, *inter alia*, in addition to inputting an alphabet letter, displaying European alphabet letters, including special characters not used in the English alphabet letter, on an additional screen partially overlaying a screen displaying the input alphabet letter if it is determined that the mode conversion key has been activated. Independent claim 19 recites a method of selecting special characters in a mobile communication terminal comprising, *inter alia*, inputting an alphabet letter to be converted to a European alphabet letter, and displaying a plurality of European alphabet letters, including special characters not used in the English alphabet letter, corresponding to the input alphabet letter on a pop-up window partially overlaying a screen displaying the input alphabet letter. Apparatus claims 25, 27, 31, 33, and 39 recite similar features. Kraft fails to disclose or suggest such features, or the respective claimed combinations of independent claims 10, 19, 25, 27, 31, 33, and 39.

That is, as shown in Figure 3, the display 3 of Kraft includes first display part 20 and second display part 22. The first and second display parts 20, 22 do not partially overlay one another.

Accordingly, the rejection of independent claims 10, 19, 25, 27, 31, 33, and 39 over Kraft should be withdrawn. Dependent claims 11-18, 20-22, 26, 28, 32, 34, and 40 are allowable over